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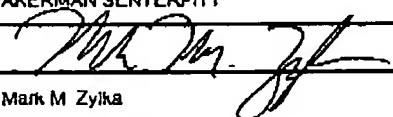
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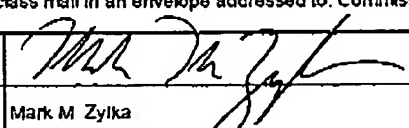
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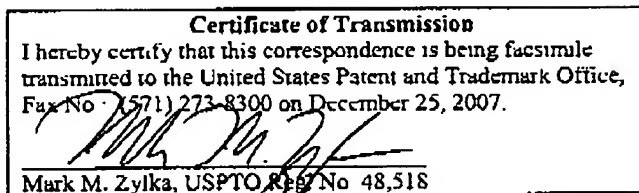
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### INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.2 and MPEP § 713.04, this paper is being filed to memorialize a telephonic interview between Examiner Daniel Miller and attorney of record Mark M. Zylka (USPTO Reg. No. 48,518) on December 21, 2007 in connection with the above-captioned patent application. This paper is not intended to be a response to the Office Action dated September 24, 2007.

Claims 8 and 11 were discussed. No exhibits were shown nor was a demonstration conducted. No prior art was discussed. No claim amendments were proposed.

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The purpose of the interview was to clarify the status of claims 8 and 11. In the most recent communication from the USPTO (an Office Action dated September 24, 2007), there is an indication in the "Office Action Summary" section that claims 2 and 4-18 are pending in the application and that these same claims are rejected. Further, in the "Detailed Action" section, claims 8 and 11 are included in the detailed grounds for rejection. Specifically, claims 4, 5 and 7-18 are indicated as being rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based on Schaefer (U.S. Patent No. 4,735,656) in view of Freling (U.S. Patent No. 6,190,124). In addition, claims 4, 5, 7-16 and 18 are indicated as being rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based on Schaefer (U.S. Patent No. 4,735,656) in view of Ohara (U.S. Patent No. 6,896,485). However, claims 8 and 11 were previously canceled from the application.

Examiner Miller and Mr. Zylka discussed the status of claims 8 and 11. Agreement was reached that claims 8 and 11 have been canceled from the case. Accordingly, these claims are not pending in the case and are not the subject of a rejection.

In light of the above, Applicant understands the Office Action dated September 24, 2007 to read as follows:

- (a) claims 2, 4-7, 9, 10 and 12-18 are pending in the application;
- (b) claims 2, 4-7, 9, 10 and 12-18 are rejected;
- (c) claims 2 and 6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based on Schaefer (U.S. Patent No. 4,735,656);
- (d) claims 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 12-18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based on Schaefer (U.S. Patent No. 4,735,656) in view of Freling (U.S. Patent No. 6,190,124); and
- (e) claims 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 12-16 and 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based on Schaefer (U.S. Patent No. 4,735,656) in view of Ohara (U.S. Patent No. 6,896,485).

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Going forward, Applicant will proceed with the above understanding.

Respectfully submitted,

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